I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first classified with sufficient postage in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, May 9, 2002 D.C. 20231 on Date of Deposit RECEIVED Joseph F. Hetz - Reg. No. 41,070 MAY 1 7 2002 Name of Applicant, Assignee or Registered Representative Technology Center 2100 Patent Our Case No. 10519-37 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE In re Application of: Friedman et al. Serial No.: 09/972,787 2185 Group Art Unit: Filed: October 5, 2001 Write-Many Memory Device and For: Method for Limiting a Number of Writes to the Write-Many Memory Device PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Dear Sir:

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Please add new Claims 45-50 as follows: